

Minutes of Commission Meeting

Special Meeting | Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 09:00 AM

Location: James H. Floyd Building
200 Piedmont Ave., SE
Suite 1514(c) – West Tower
Atlanta, Ga. 30334

PRESENT:

Commission Members:

Jake Evans, Chair
James D. Kreyenbuhl, Vice Chair (via telephone)
Eric L. Barnum, Commission Member (via telephone)
Allen Yee, Commission Member

Commission Staff:

Stefan Ritter, Executive Secretary
Robert Lane, Deputy Executive Secretary
Bethany Whetzel, Deputy Executive Secretary
Kim Crowell, Legal Secretary
DeAngelo Hall, Videographer
Chris Phelps, Paralegal

Office of the Attorney General:

Christian Fuller, Assistant Attorney-General

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 09:01 AM by Chair Evans

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made and approved to exit open session and enter Executive Session to discuss personnel issues.

Motioned by: Chair Evans
Seconded by: Commissioner Yee
Vote: 4 to 0 motion carried as approved

A motion was made and approved to exit Executive Session and reinstate open session.

Motioned by: Chair Evans
Seconded by: Commissioner Yee
Vote: 4 to 0 motion carried as approved

SPECIAL MEETING ACTION:

A motion was made and approved to place Mr. Stefan Ritter, Executive Secretary on administrative leave with pay effective immediately based upon allegations of improper workplace conduct. Mr. Ritter will be on leave until the completion of the investigation.

Motioned by: Chair Evans

Seconded by: Commission Yee

Vote: 4 to 0 motion carried as approved

INVESTIGATION OF MR. STEFAN RITTER:

A motion was made and approved to delegate Chair Evans to oversee the investigation of Mr. Stefan Ritter, including but not limited to engaging independent outside counsel and investigators as necessary, to report and update the Commissioners on the progress of the investigation as appropriate, and to report the findings of the investigation to the Commission for potential further action as needed.

Motioned by: Commissioner Yee

Seconded by: Vice Chair Kreyenbuhl

Vote: 4 to 0 motion carried as approved

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No Public Comments.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

It was motioned and approved to adjourn the meeting at 10:22 AM.

Official Minutes Statement

The foregoing Minutes for the January 8, 2019 Special Meeting of the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission were approved and adopted by the Commission at the Commission's meeting on September 26, 2019.



Jake Evans, Chair

Date